

## **Florissant Fossil Beds National Monument Vegetation Map Class for Colorado Blue Spruce - Douglas-fir - Quaking Aspen Forest**

The map class "[Colorado Blue Spruce - Douglas-fir - Quaking Aspen Forest](#)" is composed of the following vegetation associations, each described separately:

- [Colorado Blue Spruce / Common Juniper Forest](#)
- [Douglas-fir / Common Juniper Forest](#)
- [Quaking Aspen Forest](#)
- [Quaking Aspen / Common Juniper Forest](#)

This map unit occupies the north-facing sides of the intermittent and perennial drainages in the extreme southeastern part of the monument and increases in area outside the monument's boundaries to the east. The elevations range from 8680-8860 feet. It differs from the Colorado Blue Spruce - Douglas-fir Forest (SDF, Map Unit 3) and the Quaking Aspen Forest (AF, Map Unit 11) in the fact that there is a more even distribution of the coniferous and deciduous trees in SDAF. The other two map units are dominated by one or the other of the tree types.